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To:

Chief School Administrators

Title I School Districts

From:

Linda Dold-Collins, Director

Office of Title I Program Planning and Accountability

Subject:

Title I Performance Report FY 2002-2003

The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation requires states to collect data from districts receiving Title I funds. This information contributes to the Performance Report that the New Jersey Department of Education is required to submit to the United States Department of Education every year.

Once again, the Office of Title I Program Planning and Accountability is collecting part of the 2002-2003 school year Title I Performance Report data through an Internet web-based data collection system. Student assessment data will be collected directly through the state Office of Assessment. Nevertheless, other data must be gathered directly from Title I funded districts. This report includes specific data regarding Title I funded schools, the number of students served and staff employed. The information requested is essentially the same as in the past years with the exception of the following two key changes:

- Schools identified "in need of improvement" must report information about school choice and supplemental educational services; and
- Migrant information is no longer included in this report.

Remember that the school district and school level poverty data will be collected for both the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 school years. The due date for submission of the Title I State Performance Report data is **December 5, 2003**.

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You can access the booklet <u>Performance Report for Title I Data Collection System</u> when you log into the system by using the attached website address, User ID and password. It is important that you read the booklet because it explains how to use the web-based program. If you have any problems accessing the website, and are unable to complete the report online, call our office and request a worksheet that can be submitted manually.

If you have any questions, please call Mayra L. Rosner at 609-341-5062